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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS JUDGE JAMES F. HOLDERMAN EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	) No.	08 CR1010
	)	
v.	) Mic	hael T. Mason
	) Unit	ted States Magistrate Judge
ROD R. BLAGOJEVICH, and	)	
JOHN HARRIS	) <u>UN</u>	DER SEAL

## **GOVERNMENT'S MOTION TO SEAL** COMPLAINT, AFFIDAVIT, AND ARREST WARRANT

The UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by PATRICK J. FITZGERALD, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, respectfully requests that this Court seal the criminal Complaint, Affidavit, and Arrest Warrants in this matter.

The public filing of the Complaint, Affidavit, and Arrest Warrants in this matter before the arrest warrants can be executed could alert the defendants and result in their flight and the destruction of evidence.

For this reason, the government respectfully requests that the Complaint, Affidavit, and Arrest Warrant, as well as this Motion to Seal, be sealed until the time of arrest of both defendants in this case or further order of the Court, whichever occurs earlier.

Respectfully submitted,

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